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Homework

THE Director of Education sent out quite recently a friendly document to the schools of Hongkong. As a document, it must be quite unique in the annals of education, for it said no less than this: that too many schools are setting too much homework, especially in their junior departments.

Now, of course, it might be thought that the Director had only his teaching staff in mind. We have no doubt he did, for no matter how much homework is set for young Tommy or young Cheng, the teacher has to mark exactly forty times as much!

Then the Director might have had Dad in mind, for at the last moment, generally late on Sunday evening, Dad has to pull up a chair, or address himself to such feats of memory as to the principal rivers of Europe, or in the case of young Cheng the correct prepositions governing a given case in the English language.

THE whole case of homework does need looking into, and we are by no means trying to be facetious when we throw in our lot behind the Education Department's advice. Yet in so doing, we know we are up against a solid wall of conservative opinion, especially in those schools which give tuition to Chinese students.

Dealing with homework in general, we should suggest that most homework set is valueless, except for the usual child, that rare bird, who is a sweet from the word "go." Most children are healthy young animals, who after being cooped up all day, just have to run off their wild spirits. Homework is merely a faint cloud on the horizon, with the result that it is only mentioned five minutes before bedtime, or the last thing on Sunday night. Such work, performed under such conditions is valueless.

ON the other hand, when the child reaches more responsible years, and is about to face the examinations which will determine the future years, and his choice of profession, there is much to be said for setting homework. But there is everything to be said against setting too much homework.

In general, it is the Chinese parents who demand a lot of homework, and who judge a school upon the merits of how much homework is set. This is possibly a hangover from the old days, when a scholar was merely he who had committed to memory by a super-human feat, so many thousands of Chinese characters. But education is not just a rigid feat of memory, and teachers are not parrot trainers.

TO teach a child to think for himself, to reach out into the unknown for an original idea or a new form of expression, is the object of education. And to form a taste nourished by the best minds of the past and present, is the teacher's task in the schoolroom. All else is of little value. Otherwise, fifty educated parrots is the result. Let there be homework by all means. But none for the young, a little for the juniors and one good essay a week, carefully prepared and as carefully marked, should be ideal of the progressive school.

Newspaper reports Powers will stay in Russia 'U-2 PILOT TO BE FREED SOON'

Wife prepares to join him in Moscow

London, Apr. 12.
The London Daily Mail said today that American U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers will be freed from his Russian jail in the next few weeks and will choose to stay in Russia.



Francis Gary Powers

LONDON PRISON STRIKE

London, Apr. 11.
More than 200 prisoners staged sit-down strikes yesterday at Wandsworth prison, London, which contains 1,350 of Britain's worst criminals.

In the morning 140 men in the tailor's shop put down their mailbags, sat still and refused to resume work. In the afternoon another 80 stopped work in the laundry.

Prison officers appealed to the men to avoid trouble, then marched them back to their cells without violence.

The incidents followed two similar standstills on Saturday and an attack on an officer last Friday. They brought to a head the threat of serious trouble caused by overcrowding and understaffing.

The Prison Commissions are expected to hold an inquiry—China Mail Special.

HK Electricity question in Commons

London, Apr. 11.
Mr Ernest Thornton (Labour) asked the Colonial Secretary in the House of Commons today whether the Hongkong Government had yet made a decision on the main recommendation of the Hongkong electricity supply companies commission to take into public ownership the two electric companies in the colony.

He also asked whether some alternative arrangement had been concluded.
Mr Hugh Fraser, Colonial Under-Secretary, in a written reply, said: "No. Negotiations are still proceeding on the basis of the Hongkong Government's proposals of February 10."—Reuter.

The Mail's Moscow correspondent John Mosman reported: "I understand he would like his wife Barbara to join him, and she is anxious to come here."

The Mail said Powers probably will wait to freedom on May 1—exactly a year after his reconnaissance plane was shot down. And the newspaper quoted Mrs Powers as saying in New York:

"I would love to go to Moscow to join my husband. I will go out to him if possible, even if he decided to stay on after his release."

Mosman quoted no Russian source for his story, but reported:

"He (Powers) is believed to be in Vladimir prison, near Moscow. His release is planned as a demonstration of increased goodwill between the Soviet Union and America."

The Mail said Mrs Powers telephoned Government officials in Washington after getting a letter from her husband.

Telephoned

"Yes, I have heard Gary is to be released. That is why I telephoned Washington to talk to them about it," she was quoted.

"I have had nothing official to confirm the rumours. But I had a lovely letter from Gary only this morning. I have already told him I would go to Moscow to join him."

"Gary told me in this morning's letter that he would be very happy for me to be with him. I have been reading lots and lots of pamphlets and books and everything I can on the Soviet Union and what a wife is aligned to do."

The Mail said Mrs Powers added:

"Of course he is lonely and so am I. Gary is at present limited to sending four letters a month, and that includes letters to his parents and sisters."

Difficult

"I have been getting one each month. It is difficult for his five sisters—he has to pick one of them each month to write to."

"We are looking forward so much to being together soon." In Washington, a State Department spokesman said, "We haven't heard anything about it" if Powers is to be released. He said he didn't know if Mrs Powers had phoned any officials in Washington or not.—AP.

RIL RESCUE 10 CHINESE ON JUNK

The mv Ruys, a passenger ship of the Royal Indochinese Lines, rescued 10 people yesterday from a Taiwan fishing junk which had been adrift for a fortnight 280 miles south of Hongkong.

The Ruys was steaming towards the Colony from Singapore when she sighted the drifting junk at 4 am yesterday.

Mr M. C. van Hall of the RIL told the China Mail this morning that the Ruys had taken the junk in tow and was doing eight knots.

The Ruys started the rescue operation five minutes after sighting the junk in distress. The junk had lost a propeller.

NEW CLAIMS MAN PUT INTO ORBIT

Moscow, Apr. 11.
Very well-informed sources told United Press International tonight that the Russians successfully orbited a man last Friday, but the astronaut is suffering "emotional strain."

The reports added fuel to persistent rumours here that the Soviets have become the first to send a man into space and bring him back alive.

The sources, who have proved extremely reliable in the past, confirmed a report that the astronaut was still undergoing physical examination by Soviet scientists who found him suffering from after-effects of the flight.

These after-effects, they said, are not of a physical nature, but are emotional.

It was believed that the astronaut was a professional test pilot and the son of a prominent aircraft designer.

In New York, Columbia Broadcasting System tonight broadcast a report from Moscow in which correspondent Marvin Kalb said he had confirmed the London Daily Worker story about a Soviet launching of a man into space through unofficial sources in the Soviet capital.

Kalb said the flier in question was probably the son of Sergei Ilyushin, designer of the Ilyushin jet planes.—UPI and AP.

CASTRO MAY BECOME DANGEROUS

Washington, Apr. 11.
President Kennedy said today Cuban Premier Fidel Castro might become "a greater danger" unless the United States "moved now."

The President made the remark on a television interview programme which was filmed in advance of its showing on a leading U.S. network.

He did not amplify his statement or explain his reference to U.S. action.

President Kennedy said: "I think Latin America is in a most critical period in its relations with us."

"Therefore we don't move now. Mr Castro may become a greater danger than he is today."

The comment came as the President discussed with a network correspondent the work of his various aides and specialists in the White House.

Special project

President Kennedy said Latin America was the special project of one of his leading assistants, Harvard University Professor Arthur Schlesinger, leading U.S. historian and biographer.

Schlesinger had been working on a documentation of some of the problems to be faced within the matter of Cuba.

President Kennedy added that Latin America was also "a great preoccupation of all of us now."

The President's statement came amid a visible hardening of the U.S. position towards the Castro regime.

His reference to the Cuban Premier as a "danger" followed the publication last week of an official pamphlet—said to have been written by Schlesinger—calling on the Castro Government to sever its "links" with the international Communist movement.

Washington, Apr. 11.
The Justice Department today filed a second round of damage suits against electrical manufacturers previously convicted of fixing prices and rigging government contract bids.

Claims were made against 11 of the 29 electrical firms fined

The pamphlet, describing the present Cuban Government as a "repressive dictatorship" and a Communist-dominated totalitarian state was interpreted by some U.S. newspapers as a virtual incitement to revolt by Cubans and refugees living in the United States.

The State Department followed this up last week by issuing a formal comment that it was only natural for exiled Cubans to be actively interested in "reconquering" freedom for Cuba.

Invasion report

Diplomatic observers said this comment was an indirect official acknowledgment that anti-Castro refugees in the United States were in military training for an "invasion," widely reported to be timed for later this spring.

Mr Pierre Salinger, the White House Press Secretary, told reporters Mr Kennedy was not speaking about any sort of direct move against the Castro regime.

Mr Salinger checked after reporters questioned him about the remark and said Mr Kennedy was referring to a move to help Latin American nations.

The President recently proposed a 10-year Latin American aid programme.—Reuter.

London, Apr. 11.
The Maharaja of Mysore, left here today for New York after a few hours stay in London.—AP.

More damage suits against electrical companies

In the historic anti-trust case, today's suits, filed in Philadelphia, covered six types of electrical equipment sold to the Tennessee Valley Authority, Defence Department and numerous government agencies by The General Electric Co., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Allis Chalmers Manufacturing Company, the

U.S. withdraws offer of nuclear striking force to Nato allies

Ottawa, Apr. 11.
Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, told a press conference tonight it was his understanding that President Kennedy's administration had withdrawn the United States offer to supply Nato with an independent nuclear striking force of Polaris missiles.

Australian Governor pleased by appointment

London, Apr. 11.
Lord De L'Isle, Governor-General designate of Australia, said today his appointment made him immensely proud and he was not worried about reports some Australians wanted a fellow countryman for the job.

Lord De L'Isle spoke at a press conference presided over by the Australian High Commissioner, Sir Eric Harrison.

He said news of his appointment "first left me numbed by shock, but this was replaced by an immense surge of pride."

Answering questions about reports that a public opinion poll showed 64 per cent of Australians would prefer an Australian Governor-General, Lord De L'Isle replied:

"Sir Winston Churchill once said that only a hypocrite would be constantly taking his temperature. I am not put out by this sort of public opinion temperature taking."

NO DECISION

He said he had not made the decision yet about his departure date but expected to be in England for the birth and christening of his first grandchild in May, and perhaps for the Lords Test match.

He said he had made no arrangements yet about staff.

Closely questioned about his knowledge of Australia, Lord De L'Isle pointed out that in 1955 he had visited all the states of Australia except Tasmania. He said he had very much liked what he had seen and was confident he could get on well with Australians.

When asked if he had talked with former Governor General Sir William Slim about the "trials and tribulations" of the post, Lord De L'Isle replied: "Not the trials and tribulations. We talked of the pleasures and glories."

On a personal note he said his favourite sports were shooting, fishing and tennis; he has never surfed but hopes to learn; he enjoys cricket but is not a good player, and does not know much about football.

SHEEP FARMER

He said he was a sheep farmer on a small scale so was very interested in this aspect of Australian life. He did not think he would try his hand at shearing.

He said his ambition in Australia was "to see as much of it as I can."—UPI.

Parcels for China

London, Apr. 11.
Mr William Teeling (Conservative) asked in the Commons today what steps the Hongkong Government was taking to organise the sending of food parcels to the famine areas of China.

He also asked what were the number of food parcels exported from Hongkong to the Chinese mainland in 1959, 1960 and the first three months of 1961.

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr Hugh Fraser, replied: "The answer to the first part of the question is none. The answer to the second part is about 870,000, 3,700,000 and 2,600,000."

NOT CLEAR

Mr Teeling asked if it was not clear from this information that there was a very serious famine condition on the Chinese mainland "very much kept out of the papers over here."

He added that most people in Hongkong knew about it and were hoping for guidance from the British Government to make it easier for these parcels to be sent into China.

Mr Fraser replied: "There are arrangements for food packages to go in and we are in negotiation with the Chinese authorities about postal services."—Reuter.

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Prime Minister Menzies on apartheid Australia has not switched policy Speaks on Monday's vote in UN

Canberra, Apr. 11.

Australia has not switched its policy on apartheid in the United Nations, Prime Minister Robert Menzies told the House of Representatives. He also denied there had been any conflict between his statements and those of British Prime Minister Macmillan.

Menzies spoke on the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference and Monday's vote in the United Nations.

Menzies said there was no difference between himself and Macmillan on the facts of the South African withdrawal — only a difference of personal opinion as to the consequences of these facts.

Menzies said it had been claimed that Australia's UN vote in favour of the India-Malaya-Ceylon motion concerning apartheid contradicted his own attitude over South Africa's membership of the Commonwealth.

There was a difference between the United Nations and the Commonwealth, he added. "The General Assembly is a deliberative body. It chooses to offer views on the policy of any country those views will be offered with every member nation free to speak."

A right

"The Commonwealth is different. We recognise the sovereignty of complete self-government. That is a right which we properly insist on for ourselves in all matters within our jurisdiction and therefore one which we must recognise and defend for other Commonwealth countries."

Menzies added: "I know of nothing which has happened since May 1960 to convert the internal affairs of South Africa into a matter warranting intervention by the Commonwealth, except that it has been widely debated and the policy roundly condemned."

"Let us make no mistake about the departure of South Africa from the Commonwealth. It concerns more than South Africa. It concerns the whole character and future of the greatest international partnership the world has yet seen."

Menzies said it was quite untrue to say he had equated apartheid and the Australian immigration policy.

"Our policy relates to a discriminatory policy in respect of people already permanently resident. Our one is discrimination in the admission of persons for permanent residence. I hope I do not need to be told that the two things are quite different. I have always been grateful to my friend Tunku

C'wealth has major part in world destiny

Ottawa, Apr. 11.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, told the Canadian people today that the Commonwealth has a "major part" to play in world destiny.

Mr. Macmillan said in a nationally televised speech at the Canadian Club that he could not support those who predicted a gloomy future for the world.

"It would be wrong to shut our eyes to events," he said, "but somehow I feel certain we will find our way through this jungle."

"And in this march of mankind, as the caravans move toward its goal, I still believe the nations of the Commonwealth have a major part to play."

REVIEW

Mr. Macmillan made the speech — the only formal public appearance of his two-day visit — following an hour-long review of international affairs with the full Canadian Cabinet.

Prime Minister John Diefenbaker told reporters later that Mr. Macmillan and the Canadian ministers had covered the general economic situation with special attention to the current trade alignments in Europe.

It was learned earlier that Mr. Macmillan, in response to Canadian concern over British plans, had assured Mr. Diefenbaker that Britain would take "full cognizance" of the Commonwealth preferential system in any move to increase European economic unity.

Mr. Diefenbaker said the meeting with the Cabinet also covered possible moves to strengthen credit and monetary co-operation within the free world. He said the two sides exchanged views on the possible creation of an international credit organisation.

Mr. Macmillan and Mr. Diefenbaker were scheduled to get together again later today for final discussions prior to the British Prime Minister's return to London tomorrow.

The Canadian leader indicated the present controversy over a proposed sale of 12,000 tons of Canadian uranium to Britain between 1963 and 1966 would be raised at this meeting.

In his Canadian Club speech, Mr. Macmillan expressed confidence that current indications of neutralist sentiment in Britain were not deep-founded. "You may and a few elderly professors and young idealists these days marching in support of neutralism," he said.

Mr. Diefenbaker said this morning that the question of Canada relaxing its immigration curbs against West Indian immigration had not been discussed. — UPI.

Britain makes proposals to Russia for Laos settlement

London, Apr. 11.

Britain's Lord Privy Seal, Edward Heath told the House of Commons today that the British Government has made firm proposals to the Soviet Union concerning the dates of various stages for a settlement in Laos.

He added that a Laotian ceasefire must precede the convocation of an international conference on Laos.

In reply to a question, Heath said, a Laotian ceasefire appeal by Britain and the USSR, the convocation of the International Control Commission on Laos and the holding of an international conference should all be announced simultaneously.

The Soviet Union and Britain were the co-chairmen of the 1954 Geneva conference on Indo-China.

"I hope that it will be possible for the co-chairmen to make an announcement and issue invitations in the near future," Heath said.

In addition to the cabinet-rank title of Lord Privy Seal, Heath is Minister of State at the Foreign Office, a post approximately equivalent to Deputy Foreign Secretary in the American Government.

Denis Healey, Foreign Spokesman for the Opposition Labour Party, rose to state that Prince Souvanna Phouma, the Laotian Neutralist Leader, would be the best prime minister for Laos.

Healey charged that the Royal Laotian Army had taken the initiative in the Laotian fighting. Heath replied that this was not the case. — AFP.

Reward for headman who helped airmen

Sydney, Apr. 11.

An Indonesian village chief who helped two Australian airmen escape from the Japanese 19 years ago has been officially rewarded by the Australian Government.

The headman, Mr. Hermias Koonfora, obtained horses and food for the two flyers when they went to him for aid after their plane crashed near his village of Parit, Kupang, Nusa Tenggara, in April, 1942.

Guides led the two Australians to a place called Barata, from where they managed to make their way back home.

Money

A Royal Australian Air Force spokesman said today that the Air Attache at the Australian Embassy in Jakarta Group Captain J. Handbury, had presented a sum of money and an official address to Mr. Koonfora.

According to the spokesman, the Japanese learned of Mr. Koonfora's action after he helped the Australians and he was imprisoned and tortured. — China Mail Special.

STILL IN AIR KENNEDY'S VISIT TO LONDON

Washington, Apr. 11.

The White House said today there were no present plans for President Kennedy to visit London after his state visit to France at the end of May.

Mr. Pierre Salinger, the White House Press Secretary, was asked at his press briefing about reports circulating in Washington and London that the President would make side trips to one or two European capitals as well as Paris.

Impression

Mr. Salinger replied: "There are no present plans for him to go to any city other than Paris." Diplomatic observers said the nature of the White House reply tended to confirm a growing impression that the President would visit London. — Reuter.

Ignores Jordan complaint

ISRAEL TO GO AHEAD WITH JERUSALEM PARADE

Jerusalem, Apr. 11.

Israel will not change its plans for a military parade on April 20 in Jerusalem to commemorate the 13th anniversary of the founding of the country, an Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman said today.

The spokesman's comment followed the vote in the UN Security Council adopting a resolution asking Israel not to hold such a parade, upon a complaint by Jordan.

The spokesman said the parade, which took place every three years, was purely symbolic and did not threaten Israel's neighbours. He pointed out that Israel did not object when Jordan held similar parades in its sector of Jerusalem.

Meanwhile, the UN Truce Commission headed by Swedish General Karl Von Horn, indicated that steps would be taken to see that there were no unfortunate incidents during the parade which is to take place some distance from the armistice line. The commission posted observers along the line during the 1958 parade, and there were no incidents. — AFP.

One killed in Algiers

Algiers, Apr. 11.

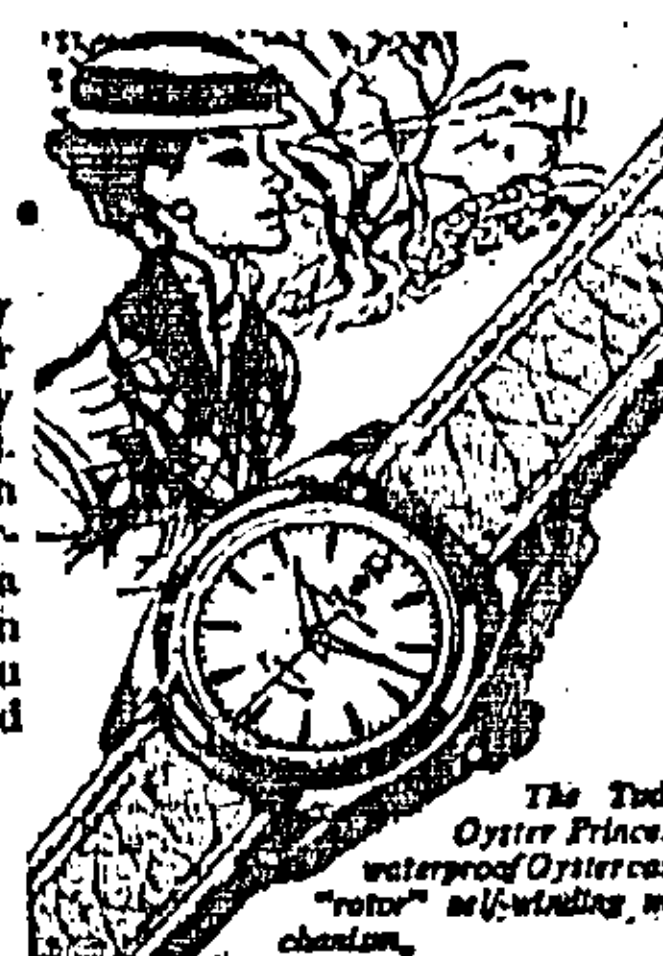
A grenade thrown by a terrorist in the Bab-el-Oued section of Algiers killed one person and injured two this evening.

There were as yet no details available on the attack. Another explosion occurred late tonight in the Rue Michelet sector of central Algiers. — AFP.

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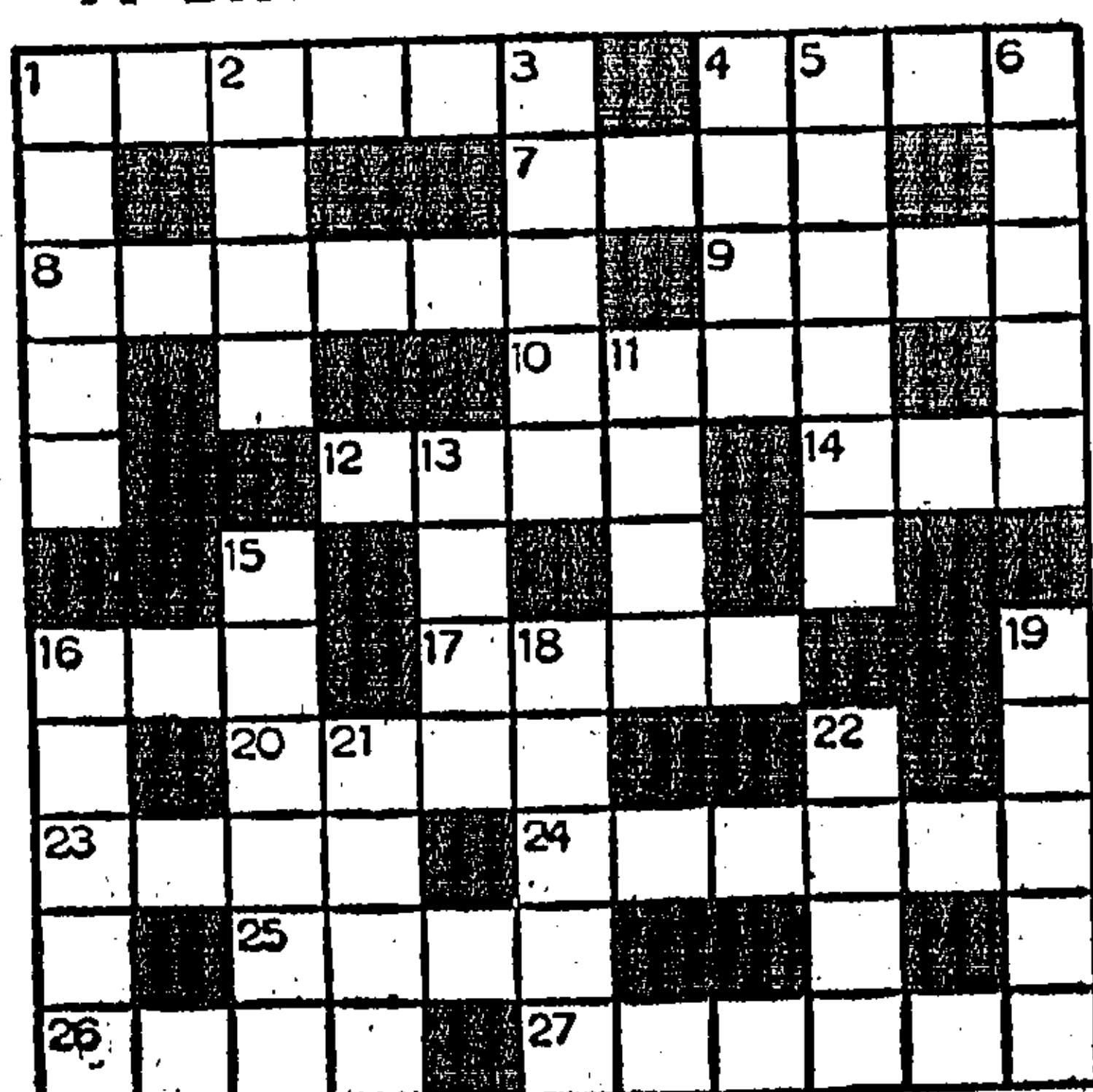
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THE KEY TO IMMUNITY? 'MASTER RACE' OF NATIVES LIVING ON RADIO-ACTIVE ISLAND

Sydney, Apr. 11.

A leading New Zealand scientist says a "master race" of six-foot tall natives is living on a central Pacific island where radio-activity is up to 100 times higher than normal, the Sydney Sun reported today.

The scientist, Sir Ernest Marsden, says the 5,000 natives are stronger than natives in surrounding islands, are less prone to disease and are "always happy," said the newspaper.

The newspaper said Sir Ernest in a radio telephone call from Wellington said, that the natives lived on Muc Island, 1,350 miles northeast of, and administered by New Zealand.

He said the native food contained radio-activity 100 times greater than normal, the soil was 20 times as radioactive as surrounding islands, and the radio-activity in the natives themselves was great.

Sir Ernest said the most popular theory on the reason for the radio-activity was that sea breezes eliminating the ocean surface picked up radio-active material and dropped it on the island in "invisible showers."

The key

Sir Ernest was quoted as saying both men and women grew to six feet in height, ate less but could work harder than natives in surrounding islands, were less prone to disease, which affected most races, had faultless senses and were, in bright, full-living people, he said.

The radio-activity had not affected childbearing, said Sir Ernest.

He said he believed countless generations had lived in the "extraordinary environment" of this radio-activity and had become immune to it.

The natives could provide the key to people throughout the world for living in safety during atomic war, said Sir Ernest.

The conditions under which the natives were living would be fatal to Europeans, he said. But if the immunisation process could be speeded up, even Europeans might be immune to radio-activity in the event of war. — China Mail Special.



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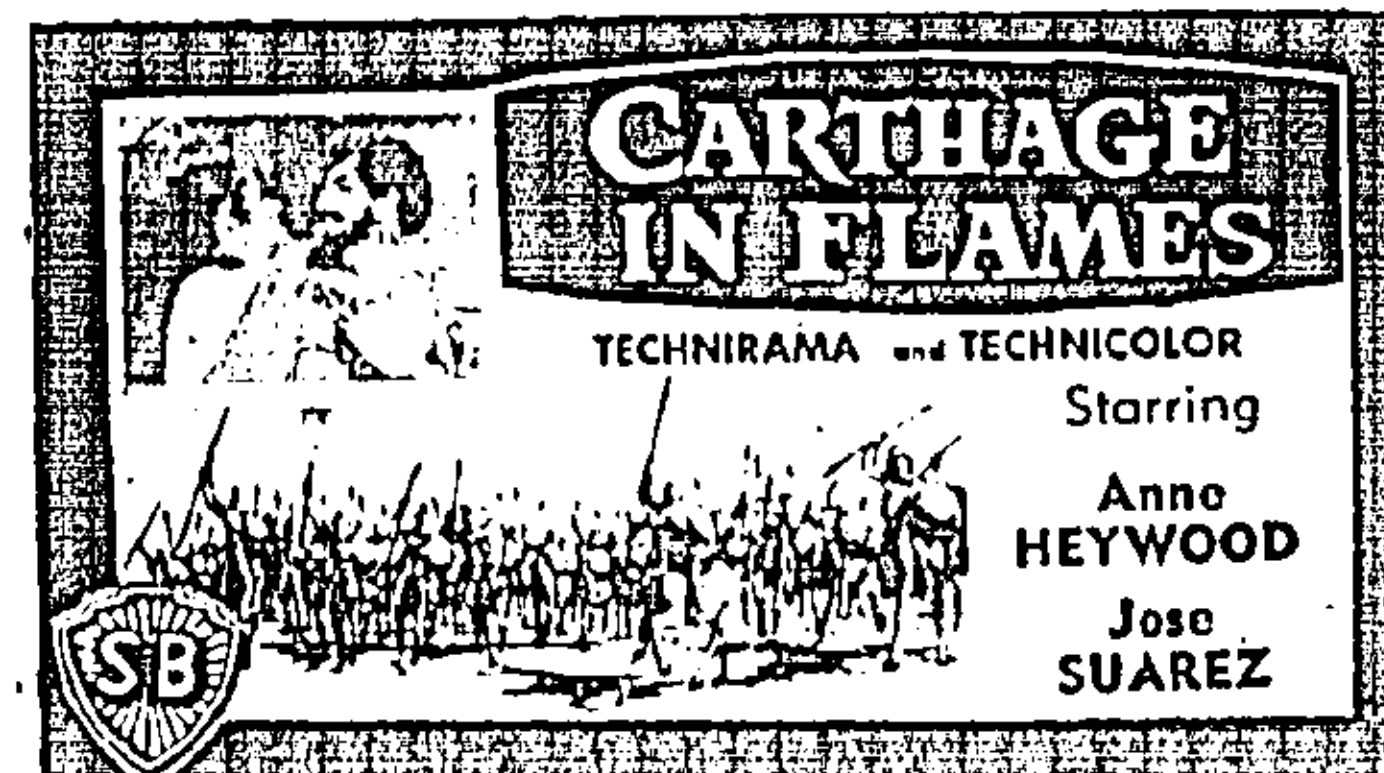
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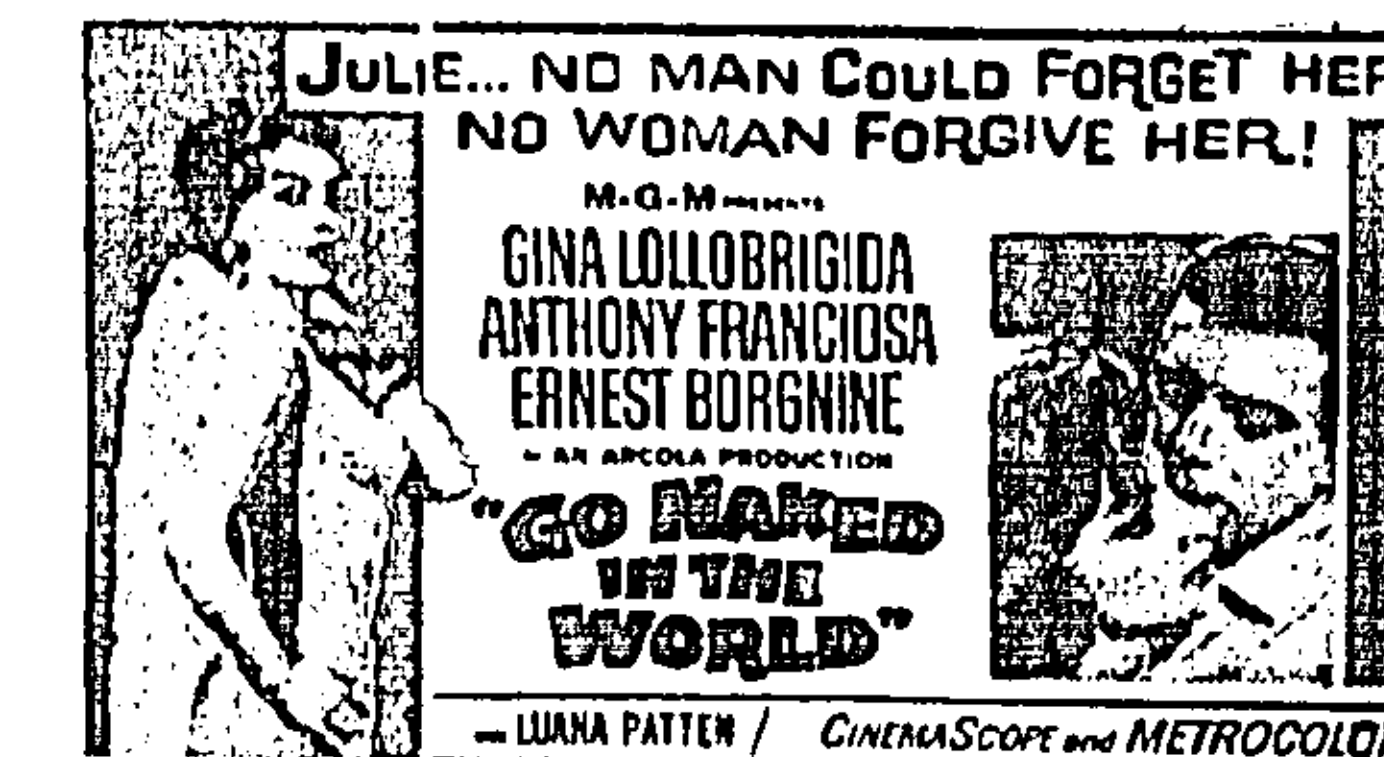
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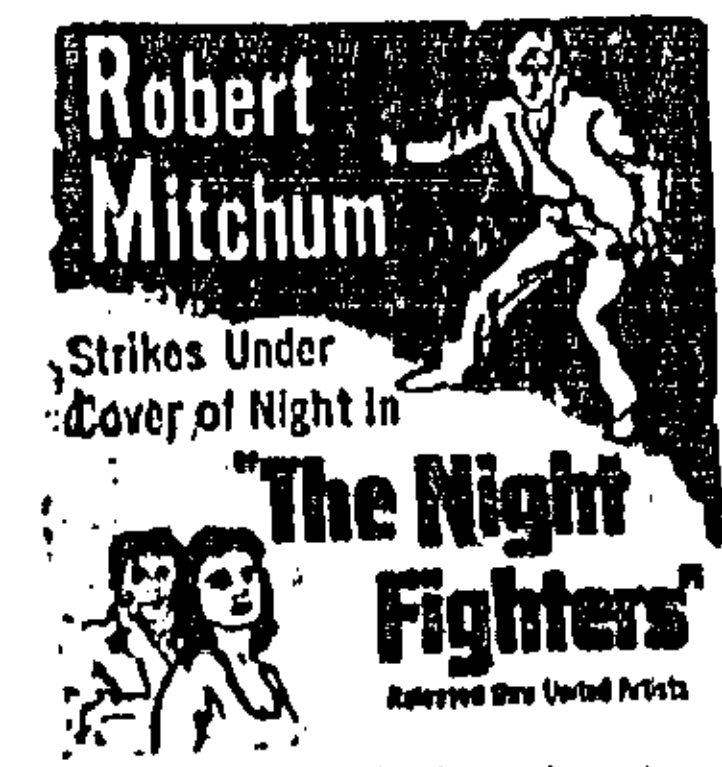
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STRIP CLUB TRIAL

Performing chimps behaved with 'perfect decorum'

London, Apr. 11.
Following a striptease act in a 47,000-member London club, three chimpanzees performed "with perfect decorum", a police witness told a court today.

PRINCESS ANNE HAS MEASLES

Windsor, Apr. 11.
Princess Anne has measles, it was announced today.
The Princess has been in bed at Windsor Castle for the last three days with a high temperature. — AP.

Public inquiry into sinking

London, Apr. 11.
The Minister of Transport, Mr Ernest Marples, announced today he had ordered a formal investigation, in public, into the circumstances attending the loss of the British cargo liner Dana. The 5,000-ton Dana sank in the Persian Gulf yesterday after fire in which more than 200 people died.
Mr Marples said it was feared the persons missing had lost their lives.
Paying tribute to all who took part in rescue operations, he said without them the loss would undoubtedly have been even more serious.
A surveyor from his Ministry had left for Bahrain this morning to start preliminary inquiries and the Indian Government had offered all assistance. — Reuter.

KENNEDY'S BID TO END COLOUR BAR

Washington, Apr. 11.
President Kennedy today put into action his campaign to eliminate from U.S. government employment "every trace of discrimination because of race, creed, colour or place of national origin."
He did so in a speech to the first meeting of his committee on equal employment opportunity, headed by Mr Lyndon Johnson of Texas, the U.S. Vice-President.

The committee of cabinet ministers, other public officials and private citizens, will carry out Mr Kennedy's recent executive order aimed chiefly at giving Negroes a greater share of jobs in the Federal Government and under government contracts.
The President told the opening session in the White House cabinet room: "American citizens unjustly denied the opportunity to work for the Government or for those doing business with the Government, will have that opportunity."
He called on the committee to exercise the "great powers" he had given it in the order for an equal employment policy in work in and for the government.

The President said he was confident the committee would act to remove permanently every trace of discrimination.
Mr Johnson announced the committee planned to call conferences here of the chief government contractors and labour leaders involved to discuss steps to end discrimination.
Mr Johnson told the committee: "We cannot and we will not permit the Government of the United States to be a partner or a participant in racial or religious discrimination." — Reuter.

This evidence was given at the resumed hearing of a charge against 32-year-old Soho Club owner Geoffrey Anthony Quinn, also known as Paul Raymond, alleging he kept a "disorderly house," at the club between August 31 and September 17 last year.

During the hearing of the charge—which Quinn has denied—police have described performances by naked American and French dancers.

FLIMSY

Today Police Constable Ivan Roberts described to the all-male London sessions jury acts he claimed he saw when he and a police sergeant, both using aliases, visited the premises.

On the stage, he said were a number of women dressed in flimsy garments.

In one of the acts a woman had all her clothes taken off by a man who then flogged her with a whip while she writhed on the ground.

In another act a girl called Carla Primavera took off an evening gown and when entirely naked poured champagne over her body.

DECORUM

There was jeering and derisive remarks from some of the 150 men in the audience. Laughter greeted Police Constable Roberts' comment that after the snake act three chimpanzees performed "with perfect decorum."

Cross-examined by Mr Edward Clarke, Queen's Counsel, who is defending Quinn, the constable did not agree there were over 4,000 strip clubs in London. To his knowledge, he said, there were more than 100.

Nor did he agree that he knew they were places frequented by immoral people or strip clubs, he said, there were more than 100.

He agreed that since about last August there had been a "stepping up" in the campaign against clubs.

VERY GOOD

Asked if, during the evening, he passed any remarks to the police sergeant about any of the acts, police constable Roberts replied: "I might have said 'that's very good'."

Pressed on this point he added: "I thought the chimpanzees were very good."

Another constable, P. C. Michael McGuinness, who went to the club on September 16 with the sergeant said between the acts there was a short film show, with the name artists as in the live show, featuring a short-sighted man who obtained from an optician spectacles enabling him to see women in the nude.

Police Superintendent Edward King told a defending counsel he found no evidence to suggest striptease girls in West End clubs were also involved in prostitution. — Reuter.

NEW AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR

Vienna, Apr. 11.
Peoples Party Chairman Alfons Gorbach, 63, was sworn in today by President Adolf Schuster as Austria's third post-war Chancellor. He heads a new Conservative-Socialist coalition.

Outgoing Chancellor Julius Raab, 69, stepped down for health reasons.—UPI.

VAN GOGH LETTERS GO FOR £1,750

London, Apr. 11.
Four unpublished letters of 17th century painter Vincent van Gogh were sold at Sotheby's rooms yesterday for £1,750.

BRIGITTE GIVING UP FILMS for two years

Paris, Apr. 11.
Brigitte Bardot plans to drop filming for at least two years to become an interior decorator, it was reported today.

France-Solr quoted the 29-year-old star as telling M. Louis Malle, the director of a film she is under contract to make, that she does not know if her break with the screen would be permanent.

"She is under contract to make 'Vie Privée' for M. Malle, and two other films," China Mail Special.

The letters addressed to a pupil and friend, Anton Kerssemakers Simons, at Eindhoven, Holland, were part of a collection of letters and documents relating to Dutch history.

They described aspects of drawing and painting with references to the artist's own work and that of others.

£300

The manuscript inventory of the pictures and works of art in Rubens' house at the time of his death in 1640 together with the painter's last known letter and two related ones from the Brussels agent of King Charles I of England fetched £2,900.

Mr R. Hompe, an American, paid £300 for a document concerning Dutch interests on the island of Manhattan in 1674.

The sale realised a total of £19,000.—China Mail Special.

Joerg Demus gives 'an evening of first class music'

Joerg Demus, a pianist sponsored by the Music Society of Hongkong, certainly takes his place beside the distinguished group of pianists who have played here in recent months.

By D. E. Gray

I understand he was somewhat "difficult" over the piano originally offered, but I feel that impresarios would do well to be indulgent with artists over this delicate matter. Only the artist knows what he can do with the instrument given in terms of the music he has chosen to play.

I do not know what Mr Demus did to the piano he ultimately did play, but it sounded very well indeed—an enormous change from the night it was played on by Malczewski. We are very much indebted to Mr Demus for putting this piano in such fine shape (I am told he spent a great deal of time practically taking it apart and re-assembling it, with necessary adjustments).

Joerg Demus seemed to play better and better as the evening progressed. His opening work by Bach was a trifle over-romantic for my personal taste, but his rubato never interfered with the rhythm. Two Schubert Impromptus were given sensitive and beautiful treatment—although I feel we have had quite a lot of the A flat Major one in recent months.

It was in the Beethoven Sonata Op. 110 however, that one began to see the real musician emerge. This is a profound work—I once heard it described as "a terrible combat with misfortune, then a return to life and hope, not in a calm pious prayer, but in an exultant hymn of joy triumphant", and I think that sums up Mr Demus' interpretation. The Arioso-dolente must be one of the most beautiful airs in all Beethoven.

French music came after the interval, and the artist seemed to be equally at home in this field. He rounded off his programme with the finest performance of the Franck Prelude Choral and Fugue that I have heard for some time. The

care with which he controlled his pedal work, and his tone production were marvels of control phenomenon.

A very demanding, though pathetically small audience was treated to some delightful encores: Schumann's Arabesque and one of the Fantastique pieces, and a charming little Johann Strauss Polka. An evening of first-class piano music.

Manila legal officer leaves

Mr Antonio A. Torres, assistant collector general of Manila was among the passengers leaving on the President Hoover yesterday for Japan. Mr Torres, who had spent a week in Hongkong on vacation, was accompanied by his wife and two daughters, Maria Luisa and Josefa.

They will spend ten days in Japan before returning to Manila via Hongkong.

Danes strike

Copenhagen, Apr. 11.
A wage strike by 40,000 Danish dockers, seamen and transport workers today paralysed two-thirds of Denmark's trade. At midnight 9,500 metal workers join the strike.

The metal workers' strike will paralyse wide sections of industry and could landslide into a nationwide general strike.—Reuter.

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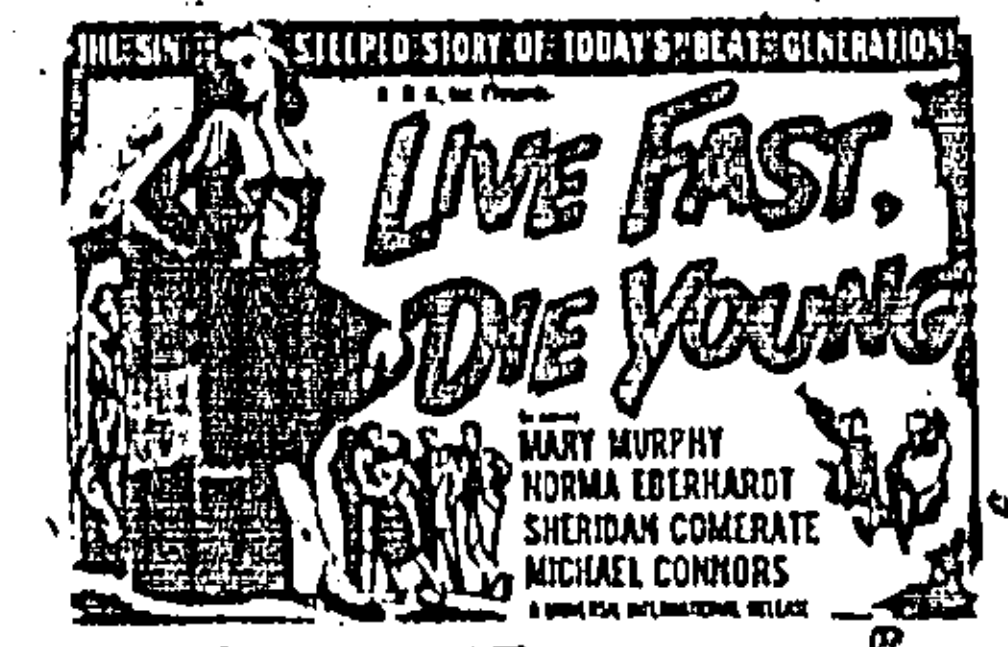
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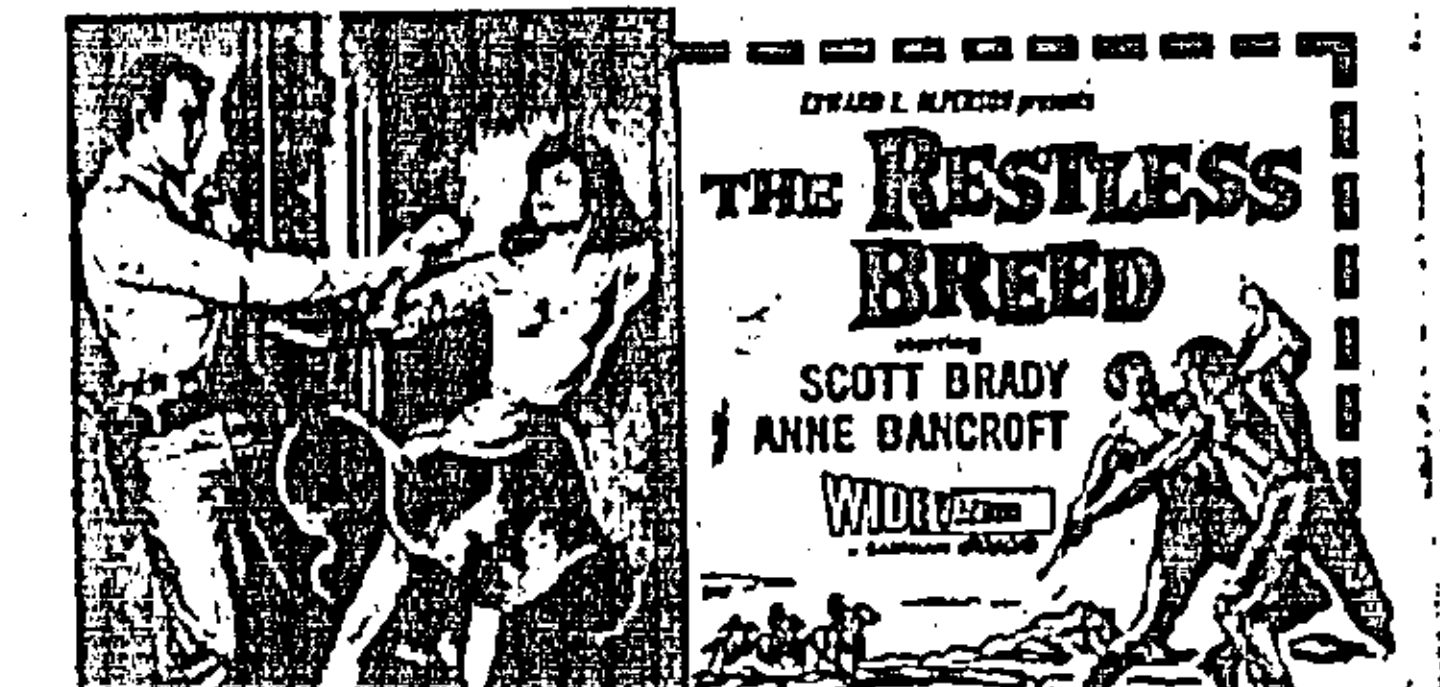


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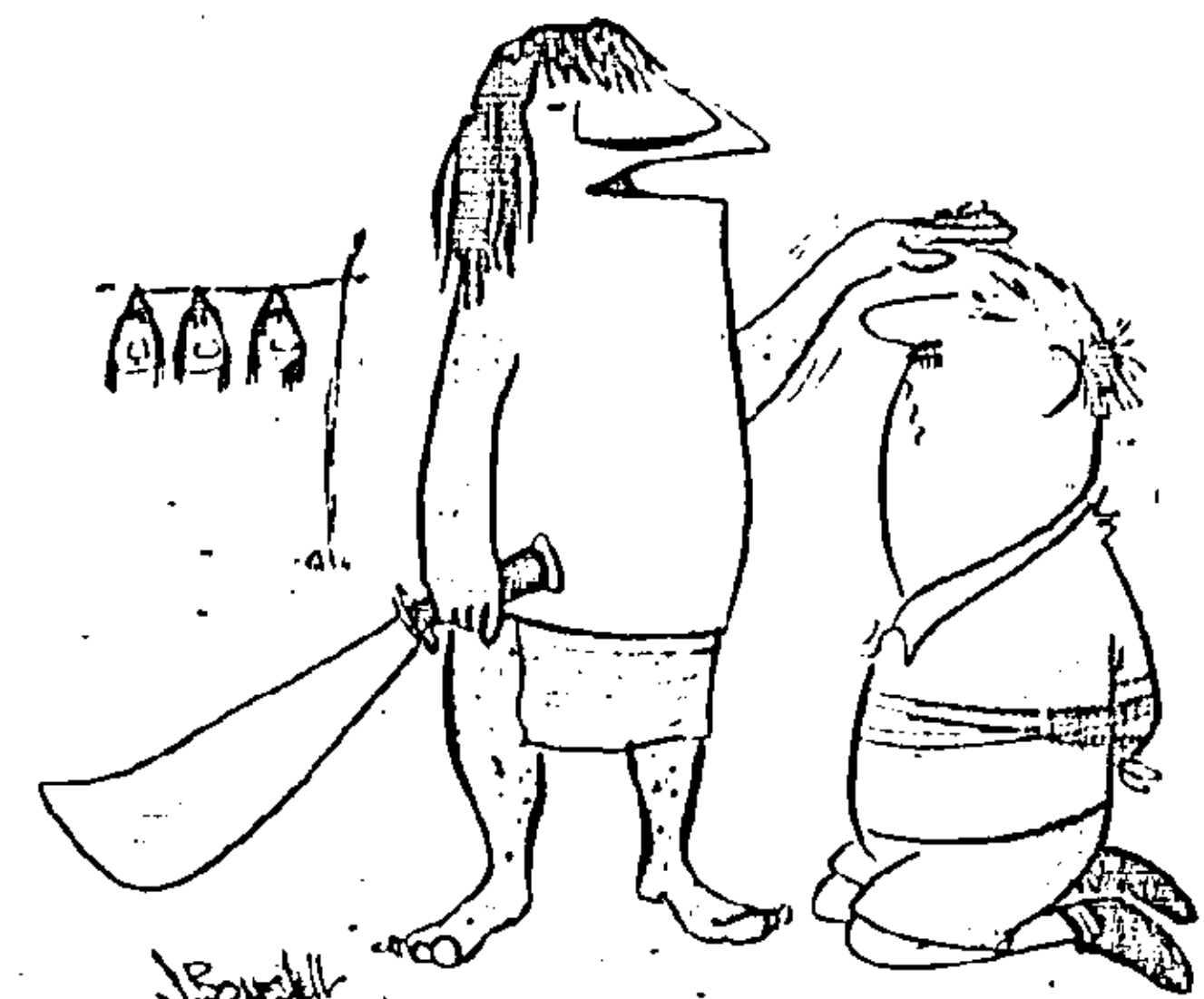
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One hundred years ago began a struggle that was destined to make the world a better place to live in...

WHEN BROTHER FOUGHT BROTHER

THE American Civil War began a hundred years ago today, and was destined to change civilisation. Yet at first it seemed little different from the hundreds of other battles between brothers which had polluted the world for a little while and had then been forgotten in history.

It was true that the contestants had a larger background than was usual in such encounters: the individual states themselves were, in many cases, larger than the European countries where previous disputes had been worked out.

But the main issue appeared the same: the desire for Power.

The North, ambitious, energetic, wealthy, rapidly becoming industrialised, was determined to bring back to the fold the "rebellious" Southern States—the land of "Ol' Man River" where life was gracious and stately and Europeanised.

The South had parted company with the North because it saw a danger of the dynamic Northern way of life spreading throughout the whole of America.

The factor which lifted this war out of the sphere of mere power politics was... slavery.

Although the North did not go to war to free the slaves, slavery soon became an important issue and later the most important issue in the war.

Easiest

For one thing, slaves were property. In the South, and clearly the easiest way in which the Unionists could permanently spoil a Southern estate was to free the slaves.

With the Negro's ultimate fate, the Northern soldiers were rarely bothered. It was enough to know that the South would have a hard time functioning without him.

The Northern General, Ulysses S. Grant, was one of the first military leaders to appreciate the importance of slavery in military strategy.

He himself had never been an anti-slavery man. He had

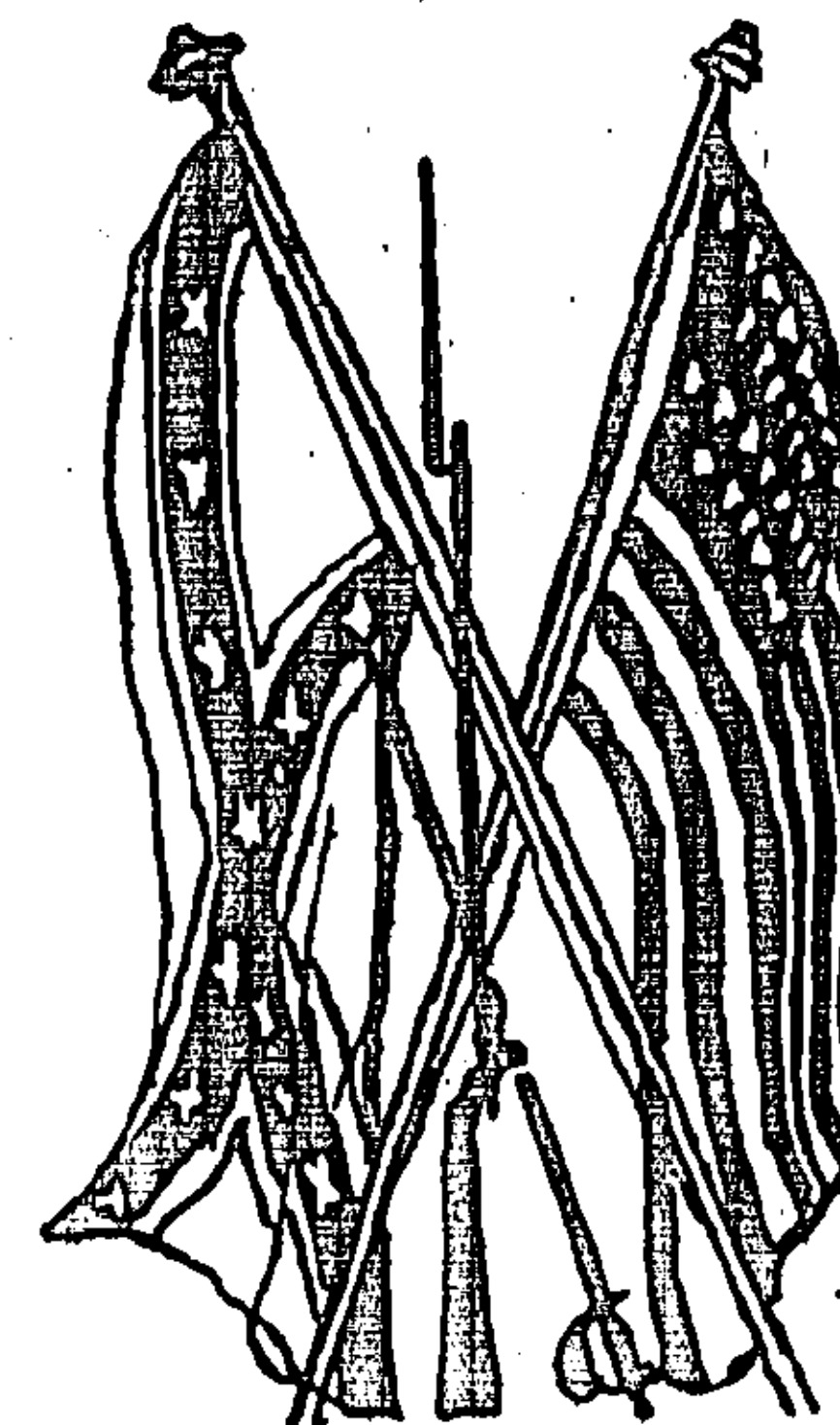
once owned a slave, his wife had owned several, and his wife's family had owned many.

But he wrote at the height of the war "I don't know what is to become of these (Negroes) but it is certain the enemy to take them from him."

Salvation

The Negroes also made excellent spies. Crossing the lines from the Southern States, they brought valuable scraps of military intelligence about the size of the enemy armies, the position of his defences. And they made even better soldiers.

PART ONE
by FRANK WRIGHT



WAR THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

throwing off the authority of colonialism, the affinity with sophisticated, free American Negroes is considerable.

The American Negroes have attained equal rights with the whites. Why shouldn't the Africans?

Many African leaders have studied in American universities. Often they have been supported by wealthy American Negroes to whom the nostalgic pull of the African homeland is as compelling as the pull of Europe is to American whites.

Some of the wealthier American Negroes are actually buying estates in the new nations of Africa. (Jazzman Louis Armstrong has recently acquired a "holiday home" in Ghana, not far from where, four or five generations ago, his ancestors hunted and farmed.)

Last year, as independent states after independent states emerged in Africa—Nigeria, Mali, Togo, Cameroun, Gabon, Upper Volta... 17 new flags in one year—observers were impressed by the way a latent pro-Americanism also emerged.

American firms got the orders for farm machinery and industrial plant, although Russia often offered better terms.

Anomaly

So the war that began as a struggle for power became a war which, by force of circumstance, meant a new life for the enslaved Negro.

This aspect of the war has captured the imagination of the world so much that hundreds of historians have bent the facts to argue that the war actually broke out over slavery.

The legend of America as The Land of the Free has served as a dynamic weapon of political warfare on the side of every subsequent American cause through two world wars. At the present time, this same legend is still so powerful that it has had a striking effect on emerging, turbulent Africa.

Compelling

The roots of African nationalism go right back to the Civil War. Why shouldn't they? To the African nationalist leaders, the American nationalist leaders,

Americans were employed as advisers — in an art gallery in Lagos, in a casino in Accra — when Russia offered to send advisers without charge.

The Continent of Freedom turned to the legendary Land of the Free, although, curiously enough, even 100 years after the Civil War there are many Negroes in America who consider they are anything but free.

Where is the freedom, they ask, in a country which in 20 states limits inter-racial marriage, which has municipal laws forbidding Negroes living in certain white areas, where there are schools which refuse to educate Negro children?

Anomalous it may be. Certainly it is an anomaly which is unlikely to have escaped the highly intelligent African leaders.

But perhaps they feel that, for all her shortcomings, America means well and is going

BATTLE BETWEEN STATES

IN 1861, 23 states were ranged against eleven.

THE UNION: California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Wisconsin.

These were joined by West Virginia in 1863 and by Nevada in 1869.

THE CONFEDERACY: Alabama, Arkansas, Arkansas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia.

ing in the right direction; and that just as America's example helped to free the Africans, so Africa's example will accelerate the complete liberation of the American Negroes.

Whatever the reason, the legend of the Land of the Free, like the sister legends of British Justice, French Sophistication

and Greek Beauty, goes marching on. And the world is a better place for it.

TOMORROW:

The change in warfare

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Just Fancy That!

London. ENGINE trouble stopped Mrs Edna Chance as she drove along the A2 near Dartford, Kent. An A.A. patrolman said she was the victim of a practical joke. He found a quart of milk in the petrol tank.

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London. THE race was over—but not for Mental's Only Hope, running in the 8.15 at Wimbledon Greyhound Stadium the other night. He kept running round the track... on and on. Although last in the race he set up a record—by staying on the track for 30 minutes 29 seconds.

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London. THE cinema audience at Staines, Middlesex, sat up in surprise. For Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr and Robert Mitchum, in "The Grass Is Greener," were all speaking French.

It went on for 15 minutes. Then, suddenly, the dialogue switched back to English—and everyone relaxed. Said the manager: "We'd been sent the wrong reel by mistake—part of the French version." (London Express Service).

Afloat with a friendly fanatic

by PATRICIA LEWIS



I NORMALLY avoid situations where I'm obliged to parade my ignorance, but after years of simulated lack of interest my curiosity about sailing finally swamped my inhibitions, and I've spent a grim, grey Easter going down to the sea in small ships.

It all started—this Trafalgar of mine—at a dinner party.

The host was going to spend the weekend inspecting his new yacht, and the other guests—all sailors, I suddenly realised—began chatting madly about who was going to crew for whom, while I, not knowing a jib from a jibe, kept very, very quiet.

But, mindful of party manners, someone soon sought to include me in the conversation.

"Feel like coming out?" Now I came out years ago, so I just shook my head and smiled, sort of enigmatically.

"Why not? Dingly sailing's the great new democratic sport. Everybody does it today..."

So, soon, found myself driving to Hayling Island Sailing Club, in Hampshire.

I picked my way across the shingle to the sprawling two-storeyed club house. There I found Colonel Cornish, the secretary-manager, who showed me to a room in a hut near by. "Of course, this is the first weekend we have been open since October," he said. "And it's a bit early for anyone but the fanatics. Still, I expect you'll get a sail."

Bronzed

A sail with a fanatic, I thought, is all I am short of. And I repaired dutifully to the lounge in search of a friendly one.

Pushing my way through a mob of tea-sipping, tide-talking men, women, and children I came upon my fellow guests from the dinner party.

Desmond, a bronzed Irish doctor who sells a racing boat, greeted me: "You've arrived! Great!"

"Well, I've been out for a couple of hours and the water wasn't a bit cold, so we'll have a go tomorrow before the race, shall we?"

The fate postponed, we sat talking and drinking until the sun turned olive in the dusk and gradually I learned that the great post-war boom in sailing is the result of many lures, many frustrations.

Apart from the obvious sensual pleasure of sun, wind, and water, and the tension and excitement of racing, this is a surprisingly practical sport.

Desmond's boat cost £140 fully rigged, and his two sons, said a Cretan bought second hand for £45.

After the initial outlay, Desmond reckons it costs no more than about £60—including travel from London—to keep the whole family sailing every weekend throughout the season.

Principles

Small wonder membership of his club has risen from 100 in 1940 to 900 with a long waiting list now. And I'm told it's the same in all good sailing clubs throughout Britain.

It was from Bushey Elcort, who sells a Hornet when he is not ballooning across the Atlantic in The Small World, that I learned there are two approaches to sailing.

"Some people are quite happy just being in a boat," he said. "They never race, whereas others never get in a boat unless they do race."

"Sailing is a lot like life really, and it seems to me you can't grow up to be a good seaman and a nasty person."

By bedtime I was sold on sailing.

Barefoot

"How long does it take to learn?" I asked Desmond.

He shrugged. "One hour—or 20 years. The basic principles are easy—you could learn them in a day. It's the knowledge of tide and wind that takes time. Anyway, you'll see tomorrow."

The morning was dull and drizzle, and though I had remembered to pack some sweaters I had forgotten espadrilles and was ordered to remain bare-

footed by the helmsman (Desmond).

"You'd better wear this," he said, lacing me into a yellow oilskin waistcoat. "It'll keep you afloat if we capsize. Now be a good crew and help me get the boat down to the water."

Because of the direction of the wind we had some trouble getting Rascas into the sea.

"Wind's head on," called Desmond. "Wade along to that point and see if it's any better."

I waded, the waves slapping high above my rolled-up jeans. But no deal. I turned shaking my head but Desmond had already pulled down the mainsail and with the aid of two men and a dog was dragging the Enterprise down the slipway. I waded back... too numb to argue.

From now on the commands came loud and clear: "Pick up the boom." "Untangle those ropes." "Pull her head round." "Get in." and himself busy all the while with the blue sails.

Shattered

Then suddenly the beach began diminishing at an alarming rate.

"Now your job is to hold that rope through that cleat there," said Desmond masterfully. "It's attached to the jib and I want you to pull it every time the sail flaps—that's known as trimming. Like now!"

"Aye, aye, sir." And get the weight of your body out over the side or we'll never keep upright."

So there I was, feet braced, leaning so far out over the edge that the waves kept foaming up my jumper.

Deciding everything was O.K. I began to look about me. And noticed Thorny Island fast approaching. My split-second view was shattered by cries of

"In! In!" from the helmsman. In a tizz I pulled my rope.

"No—your body not the sail," came the exasperated voice. I was no sooner "in" than it was "Out! Out!"

I looked down from a great height on to what I can only describe as a two-wheel skid. Anyway, the boat was mostly out of the water. We must, must, must turn over I thought. But after a couple of seconds skimming the razor's edge there was a reassuring smack and Rascas got both feet so to speak, on the ground again.

Skimming

I relaxed with relief, and watching a whirly skimming the crests told myself there was nothing like being close to nature after all.

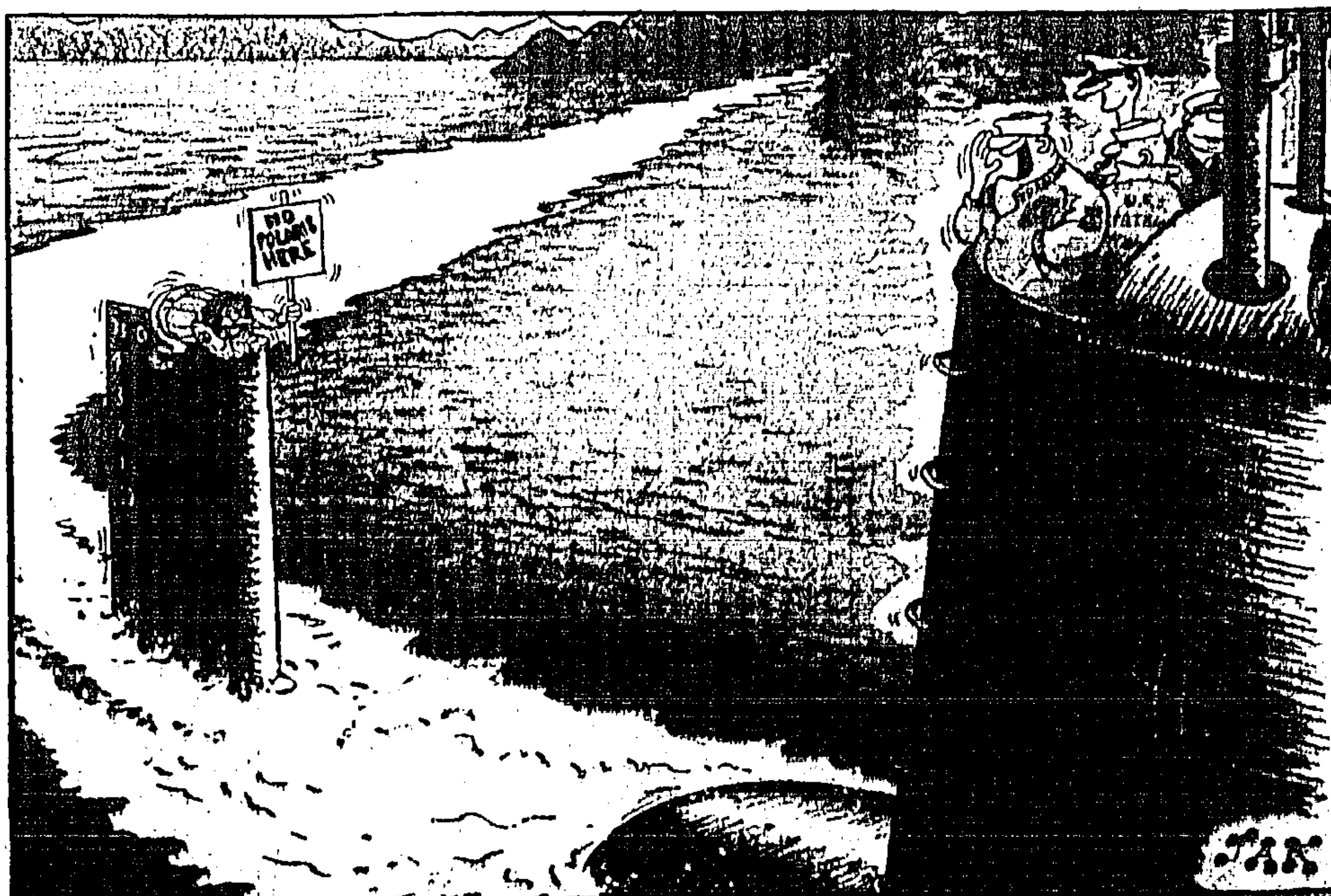
Suddenly the jib started snapping. "I am going to come about now," yelled Desmond. "So let that rope go. Get hold of the other one and hop across to the other side. Don't forget to duck under the boom. Ready."

Well, I did not forget to duck or to switch ropes, but I did forget to let the first one go, which was not very bright. However, Desmond didn't curse me too violently and next time we came about I managed everything in absolute Bristol fashion.

By the time we got back to shore I was absolutely drenched but thought it was all simply marvellous. I still thought it was marvellous when Desmond ordered me to leap into the sea and pull Rascas up on to the beach.

"How did I do?" I asked, an aching scarlet and feet blue. I walked back to the club house.

"Not bad. Not bad at all," he replied. And to my evergreen pride I was invited to go sailing again. (London Express Service).



"Take a deep breath bud—we're going under for six months."

WOMANSENSE

ONE DEPARTMENT WHERE WE'VE A LOT TO LEARN

New York. THE one fashion field in which the Americans hold an unquestioned supremacy is that of sportswear.

This stems partly from their own more casual way of living, partly from the astonishing wealth of background and inspiration in the 50 states that constitute America, partly from a healthy belief that sportswear isn't something special you put on for the beach—it's ANY clothes you wear when you're not dressed up.

They never make, consequently, the mistake of European designers whose so-called casual wear is often degrees more formal and fabulous than their gala clothes, and whose more imaginative designs tend to look suspiciously like fancy-dress, however stunning they appear in colour photographs for the glossy magazines.

Even the most overwhelming combinations of colour, even the most shockingly original shapes, tend to look careless and unself-conscious, designed just for the heck of it and put on in much the same spirit, when it's an American designer producing them.

STARTED THERE

IN fact, according to one American sportswear designer, the whole thing STARTED there. The designer is John Weitz, tall, dark, unfairly handsome, a fiend at the wheel of his Maserati, and the recipient of a gratifying number of the Awards so dear to an American heart.

"What this country has contributed to fashion is copied internationally," he told me. "The basic look of sportswear is a very simple one. It began in the 30s when an American girl borrowed a pair of blue jeans and a shirt and a sweater from her boyfriend."

"And it's been coming back at us ever since...the blue jeans as Pucci pants, the sweater from Italy and Ireland and all over and the shirt as something called a chemise which is French for shirt."

"Personally, there are ideas and inspiration enough in America. Why should we bother looking to Europe for inspiration?"

Why indeed? Just one saunter through the sportswear department of a big store was enough

to make me feel I'd like to start turning out these uninhibited breezy designs myself.

For the fact is that over the last ten years almost every valid idea in sportswear has come from America to Europe and not the other way round.

COLOURED LEATHER ANYTHING America is doing in sportswear, therefore, has far more than a mere academic interest since it's likely to be among us before too long.

When they come...I SHALL WELCOME the use of brilliantly coloured leather, kidskin and suede, worked till they're soft and supple as jersey and used for throw-on coats, jackets, blouse tops.



SEEN IN THE VILLAGE — GREENWICH OF COURSE

SPORTY look that never grows old: All-American Blue Jeans and All-American shirt, precisely scaled by designer John Weitz.

The shirt has those neatly rolled-up sleeves which are an American trade-mark, with zany pocket, no collar, a suspicion of masculine slits up the sides. It's made in sugar-pink denim.

The blue jeans—a garment no American girl is without—are tailored as carefully as any cow-hand's.

Photographed by Halley Erskine in the diminutive backyard of her Greenwich Village home — one of the few places in New York from which you DON'T get a view of skyscrapers.

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When they're dry next morning, the girls yank them on, sit down in another tub of water till they're wringing wet again, then pooter around all morning in them till they're moulded individual fit.

NOT recommended for an English climate unless outdoors in warm as California — or indoors as greenhouse-hot as any American apartment.

Bermuda shorts after all?

FOR years American Bermuda shorts—cut to just above

the knee and not too skinny — have been a favourite hate of designers in Britain.

Chances are they'll soon be changing their mind about them. Why? Because of the extraordinary popularity of the culotte skirt — and Bermuda shorts, when you think of it, are just a slightly shorter version of the culotte, cut straight instead of full and flared.

Bermuda shorts have decided points after all: they're cooler and more comfortable than full-length pants; more flattering to hippy girls; above all, they're NEWER — and fashion being the dizzy whirl it is this is a Grade-A commendation.

(London Express Service).

COOKING HINTS...

To dry cheese for grating, hang it in a muslin bag for a few days. It will harden without moulding, and will be much easier to grate.

To ensure that the crackling on pork is crisp, rub well with salt before cooking.

Add a slice of bread when boiling split peas. This prevents them sinking to the bottom.

To prevent juices from cooking out of pies, place a tiny funnel of uncooked marmalade upright in the centre of the pie.

The inside of a tart need not become sodden with the fruit or meat juices if the inside of the pastry is coated before filling with well-beaten egg whites. Leave for a quarter of an hour and then fill with fruit or meat and bake in the usual way.

Green peas, shelled and put immediately into an airtight glass preserving jar in the refrigerator, will remain fresh until needed.

When roasting, the joint should be put into a very hot oven, as this seals the outside of the meat, preventing the loss of meat juices. After 10 minutes, the heat should be reduced, and the joint cooked in a moderate oven for the required length of time.

An orange cake is improved by baking orange peel in the oven with the cake.

Handkerchiefs which are a bad colour will improve if boiled in milk and water.

State buns moistened with milk and beaten in the oven will freshen up immediately.

Slice hard-boiled eggs with a knife dipped in boiling water and dried quickly. The hot knife will enable you to cut neat slices without cracking the eggs.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Walking With Merlin

—That Is, The Shadows Walk, But Merlin Rides—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names, were just setting out for a walk to the park. It was a fine brisk autumn morning, a perfect walking day.

Just as Knarf and Hanid set out, they were surprised to meet Mr. Merlin, the Magnificent Magician, coming around the corner Mr. Merlin was dressed in a grey tweed suit with a grey cloth hat, brown shoes and a walking stick.

Came from park

After they had all exchanged greetings, Mr. Merlin explained that he had just come from his morning walk through the park. "Oh, what a shame!" exclaimed Hanid. "We're just starting our walk now."

"Why don't you come with us?" Knarf asked Mr. Merlin. Mr. Merlin smiled, then he shook his head.

He'll ride along

"But if you don't mind," he added quickly, when he saw how disappointed Knarf and Hanid looked, "I'll ride along with you while you walk, and eat my breakfast as I ride."

Knarf and Hanid looked at Mr. Merlin as if they didn't quite understand what he had just said to them.

"But you haven't got anything to ride in," said Hanid. "Oh, don't worry about that," said Mr. Merlin.

Nothing to eat

"And you haven't got anything to eat," Knarf pointed out. Mr. Merlin said not to worry about that, either.

"It's no trouble at all for a Magician like me to find something to ride on and something to eat while I'm riding," he said.

As he said this, Mr. Merlin twirled his walking stick around his finger and mumbled some words as he did so.

Instantly, the whole air seemed to become filled with spinning wheels, bobbing up and down in all directions. The next moment, Knarf and Hanid rubbed their eyes in amazement.

Took out table

There was Mr. Merlin, sitting in a beautiful white automobile. "And now for something to eat," said Mr. Merlin.

This time he threw his hat in the air. It instantly turned into a deep picnic bag out of which Mr. Merlin took a knife, a fork, several plates, a bowl of steaming oatmeal, a platter of bacon and eggs, a thermos bottle full of steaming coffee, a basket of hot buttered biscuits and a napkin.

Hardly touched ground

From somewhere in the automobile, Mr. Merlin lifted out a folding table, spread a tablecloth over it, set out his breakfast and started to eat.

"You can start walking, my dears," he said to Knarf and Hanid. "I'll be right along."

Knarf and Hanid couldn't see how Mr. Merlin managed to steer his automobile and eat his breakfast at the same time. But he managed to do both quite well.

Most of the time the wheels of the automobile hardly touched the ground. They spun around like the propellers of an airplane.

Once, when Knarf looked around, the wheels seemed to have turned into Squirrel legs and Mr. Merlin in his automobile and his breakfast went climbing up and down trees.

And another time, when they were in the middle of the park, the Squirrel legs turned into Duck legs.

"I'll see you on the other side of the lake!" Mr. Merlin called to Knarf and Hanid, and he and his automobile paddled across the lake while Knarf and Hanid walked on the long path around it.



Mr. Merlin was sitting in a white car.

across the lake while Knarf and Hanid walked on the long path around it. "Oh dear," said Hanid to Mr. Merlin when they reached the other side of the lake. "I really feel terribly tired myself," said Knarf.

Wanted to be asked

Knarf and Hanid were sure that Mr. Merlin would invite them to sit in his wonderful automobile and let them share his lovely breakfast.

And suddenly, as Knarf and Hanid looked, the wheels that had changed into propellers, and Squirrel legs and Duck feet, all at once became buzzing wings.

Mr. Merlin, his magic automobile, his wonderful breakfast—all disappeared in a flash.

Heard voice

Then from far off, they heard a laughing voice calling to them.

"Hurry home, my dears. The walk will do you good. Your breakfast will be waiting on the table. Magic food is only good for a Magician. You need real food."

And that was all there was to the walk that Knarf and Hanid took—it was—with Mr. Merlin the Magnificent and extremely Curious but very Pleasant and Cheerful Magician.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): A better arrangement which has been suggested may not result in a very satisfactory deal for you.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): You will become more closely involved in the affairs of a distant branch of your family, and will welcome the chance to get to know them better.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your initiative in helping to get a scheme under way will be well rewarded by those who are now reaping its benefits.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A precocious young member of your family will need expert guidance in order to develop his gifts in the right direction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Your friends will be just as pleased with your company if you refrain from spending too lavishly on their entertainment.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): A bargain obtained on a casual shopping tour will compensate you for the recent loss of a similar article.

LEO (July 22-August 21): Your morning programme may be interrupted by an unexpected though very welcome visitor.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): This would be a propitious time to start a new venture, the success of which will depend largely on luck.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): It may be

worth risking a small sum on a gamble today, as long as you are satisfied with modest winnings.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Don't get into the habit of depending too much on intuition, but face facts and act accordingly.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Keep out of a heated argument between two colleagues. It will soon blow over if nobody interferes.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): You can only expect younger people to treat you with respect if your behaviour merits it.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the KING OF HEARTS.

How they make those blue jeans fit like a second skin in America: First thing teenagers do when they buy them is dump them in a tub of cold water and leave them to soak for a whole day.

English designers to emulate the way in which American designers treat the commonest fabrics with the respect they accord to silk or lawn — as in beautifully tailored skirts and wrapovers made of garden-weight sacking dyed to brilliant colours.

I SHALL MISS till it happens at home, the wonderful American way with co-ordinating separates that give you a free hand to match and colours of striped sweater and plain skirt.

THE ONLY THING they can keep right here is their native shirtwaister — unless they can teach us how to cut them with the same crisp zing. When I left England there were FLENTY of them around.

Skin-tight treatment

HOW they make those blue jeans fit like a second skin in America: First thing teenagers do when they buy them is dump them in a tub of cold water and leave them to soak for a whole day.

Rupert and the Paper-fall—24



Quite soon, the little sister returns, and with him is the little clerk, who knows Rupert at once. "I hear you have the missing Nutwood paper," says the clerk briskly. "Yes, I said I'd give it to you if you'd tell me what all this is about," says Rupert. "That's easy," says the clerk.

★ CARD ★

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass 7

AKJ555 ♠K33 ♠A554 40

What do you do?

A—Bid four spades. There is some very slight possibility that your partner may have the right cards for a slam, but it is so slight that you should not explore those possibilities.

TODAY'S QUESTION Your partner's roid over one spade has been two clubs. What do you do in this case?

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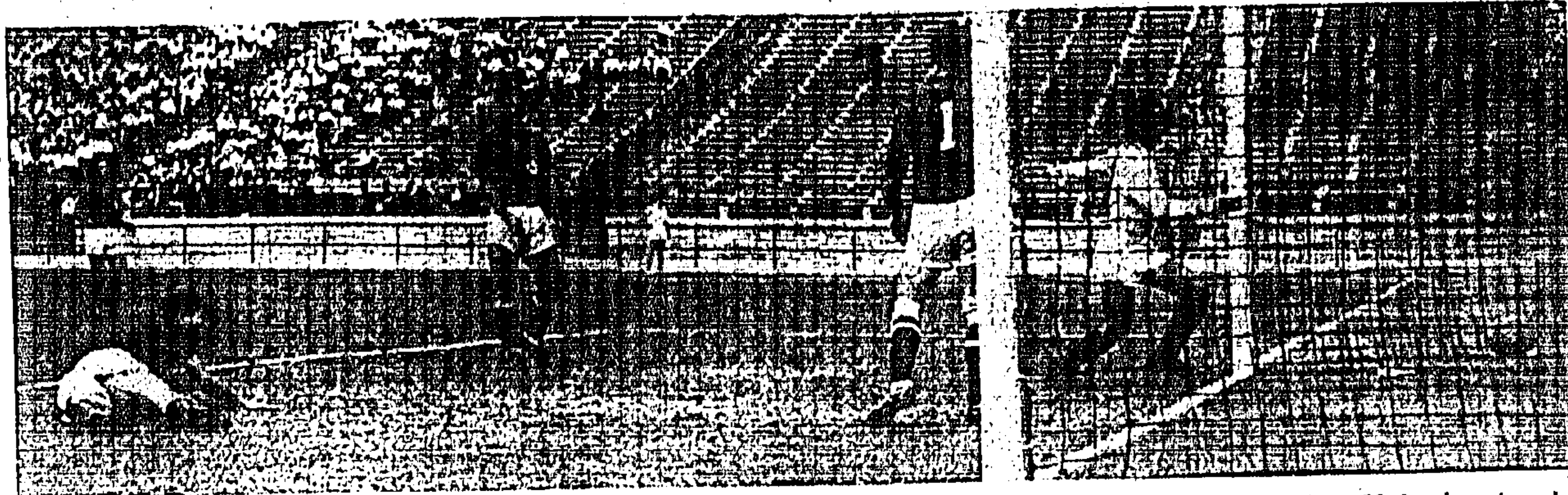


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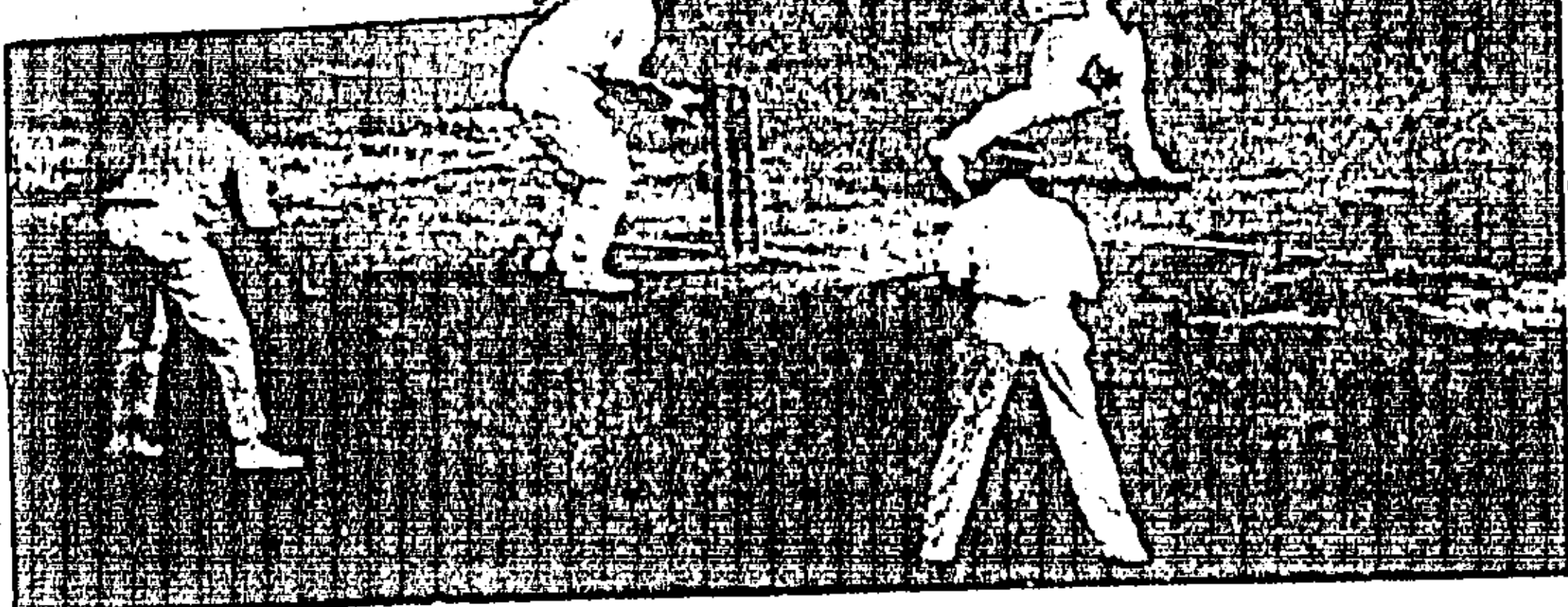
SPORTS PICTORIAL



ABOVE & BELOW: Two scenes from the visiting Madeira team's match against All-Hongkong last Saturday that ended in a near riot. In the top photo, left-winger A. Santos is seen scoring Madeira's third and last goal of the match before it was called off by the referee 13 minutes before the full time. Lower photo shows a section of the crowd that milled around after the match was called off.—China Mail photos.

British swimming stars may be in for a shock this season—from 12-year-old Marilyn Broomfield. Broomfield is in Britain for a year, with her father, a doctor, who is on a course at a London hospital. Broomfield, who started swimming at 7, has broken every freestyle school championship record set by Olympic medalist Natalie Stewart.

Marilyn will be training in London under ace coach Sir Gordon Macdonald, who has her eye on British events this year, and, provided her birthplace (Cape Town) does not bar her, place in the Empire Games at Perth in 1962 and the Tokyo Olympics in 1964. Photo shows Marilyn Broomfield in action.—London Express Photo.



ABOVE: Brilliant batting by Nigel Broomfield featured the two-day cricket trial last Saturday and Sunday to choose a Hongkong Interport team for the forthcoming Interport against Malaya at Kuala Lumpur. Broomfield knocked up 81 runs out of his side's first innings total of 174 runs for seven wickets declared before retiring. Photo shows Broomfield scoring a boundary with a beautiful off-drive.—China Mail photo.



RIGHT: Tommy Simpson limbering up at the track before the International Professional Pursuit Match last week. Simpson will lead Britain's team in the Tour de France from June 25 to July 10.—Keystone Photo.

Below: Hongkong's swimming enthusiasts were given a rare treat last week in the form of two Swimming Exhibitions at the Victoria Park Pool by the visiting world-ranking Australian swimmers. A group photo of the Australian touring team shows (from left): Standing—Robert Widdie, David Dickson, Dr. E. Thiel, sitting—Jan, Andrew, Helen Bartler and Alan Wood.—China Mail photo.



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RUNS HOME FOR RETARDED CHILDREN

The director of an institute for retarded children in America left yesterday on board the President Hoover after a three-day visit.

She was Miss Lucille F. Williams, director of the Exceptional Children's Home of Sausalito, California. She is making a tour of the Orient.

Miss Williams said that the home was formed and maintained by a foundation composed of parents and friends of retarded children at a 22-acre ranch about 50 miles out of Los Angeles.

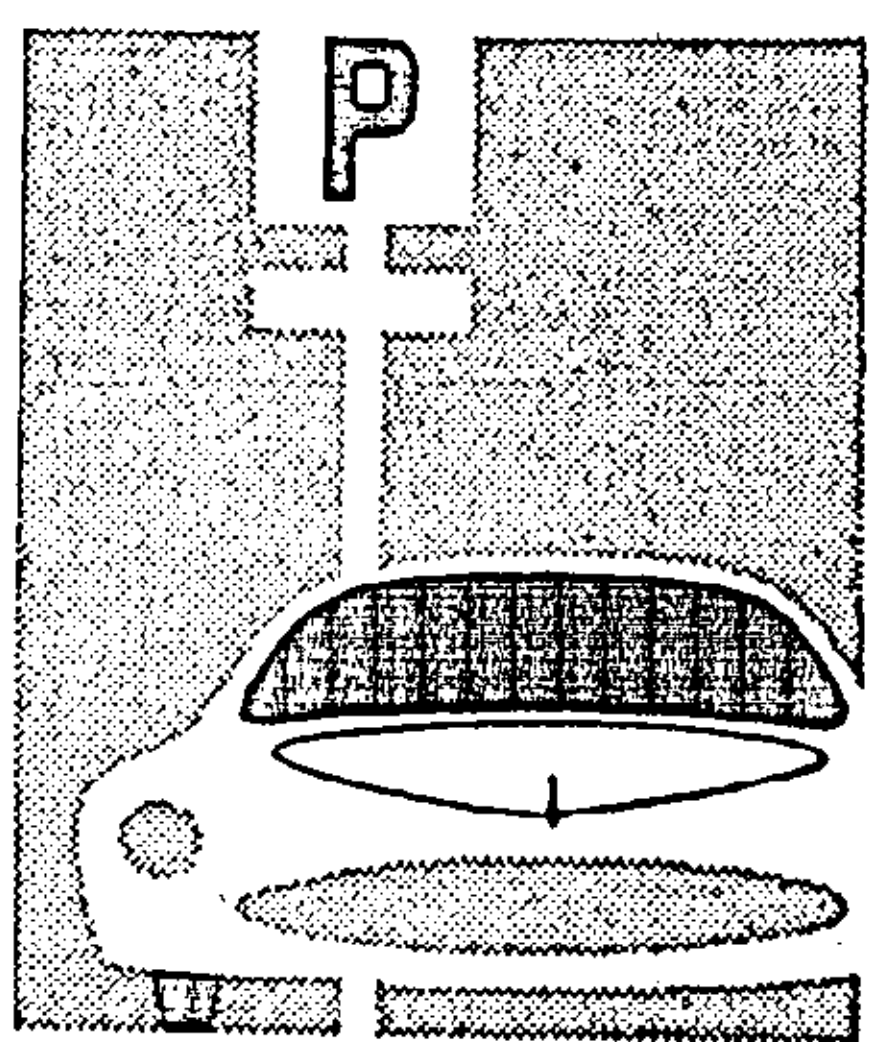
She said there were about 25 children from the age of 16 upwards at the home. Although mentally retarded, all were capable of looking after themselves and there were no physically disabled children.

The foundation had been in existence for about 15 years, but the actual home was only completed five years ago.

HID DRUGS IN SHOE

A 25-year-old barber who hid a quantity of dangerous drugs in a shoe was sentenced to two years imprisonment by Mr. T. L. Yang at Causeway Bay Court this morning.

Kwong Ka-ho, living at 49 Johnston-road, pleaded guilty to possession of 20 packets of dangerous drugs.

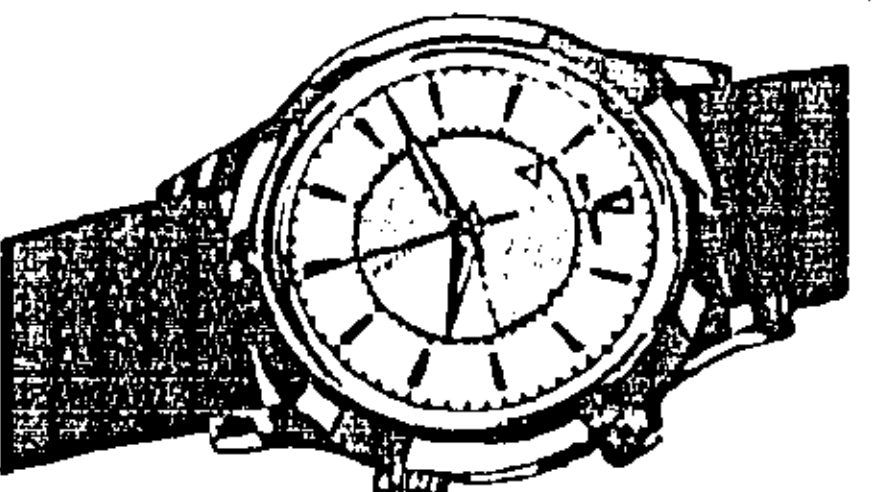


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ACID-THROWING GIRL HAS FOUR-YEAR SENTENCE CONFIRMED

The throwing of acid was a particularly dangerous and unpleasant way of taking revenge upon someone, said the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, sitting with the Full Court today.

He made this comment when the court dismissed a 22-year-old girl's appeal against a four-year jail sentence.

Li Wai-chun of 301 Lockhart-road, had been sent to jail for four years for pouring carbolic acid on Ma Chi-man.

The Chief Justice said "This throwing of acid is a particularly dangerous and unpleasant way of taking revenge upon someone whom you feel has done you an injury."

"It is necessary to bring home to those who indulge in this the very great seriousness of it."

"Although we think that four years is quite a severe sentence we do not feel it is so manifestly excessive."

Mr. Terence Shurlock, instructed by M. K. Lam & Co. appeared for Li. He said the ground of appeal was that the sentence was excessive.

The jury in the lower court had said Li was deserving of a lenient sentence, he said.

For the Crown, Mr. Dermot Rea, Crown Counsel, said the maximum sentence was life imprisonment.

It was a very nasty type of offence, he added.

The Chief Justice sat with Mr. Justice C. W. Rees and Mr. Justice R. H. Mills-Owens.

Visitor to Colony

South African resident disgusted with apartheid

An Englishman who has spent more than 20 years in South Africa as a businessman, said this morning that he was disgusted with the South African Government's apartheid policy.

Mr. F. J. Hinch, of Durban, made the statement at Kai Tak Airport prior to his departure by Air-India after a four-day pleasure visit to the Colony.

He told the press that while reports of "physical violence" arising out of the apartheid policy were grossly exaggerated, "conditions of racial discrimination in the Union of South Africa were 'pretty bad'."

He revealed that apart from the "coloured and white problem" that is "tormenting" South Africa, there was also "the white problem."

DIVIDED
The white people there are divided because of the South African Government's racial discrimination problem," Mr. Hinch said.

He added that the bulk of the "White Africans" in South Africa who are "diehards" in the support of the Government's apartheid policy, are descendants of original Dutch settlers.

"Of course, there are also exceptions," Mr. Hinch said, "I have a lot of Dutch friends who are equally disgusted with the country's racial problem."

Regarding South Africa's decision of becoming a republic outside of the British Commonwealth, Mr. Hinch said that after May 31st, "it will be considered an alien since I have no intention of giving up my British nationality."

He predicted that many Britons who have settled in South Africa would not give up their British nationality when the time comes.

"I've lived and worked in South Africa for the past 20 years or more," Mr. Hinch said, "and I love the country tremendously, particularly its people. Some how I cannot imagine that after May 31st, I will be considered an alien in my own country."

Mr. Hinch operates a chemical products factory in Durban which is staffed by Indian emigrants.

News agency chief due

Mr. Ernest Hoberrecht, United Press International Vice-President and General Manager for Asia, will be arriving in Hongkong on April 15, from Manila.

Mr. Hoberrecht, who will observe his tenth anniversary in the post of General Manager for Asia next month, has been reporting on the recent Seats conference in Bangkok and the presidential elections in South Vietnam.

Musical olives

An olive hawker who played a musical instrument without a permit in a public place was cautioned by Mr. T. L. Yang at Causeway Bay Court this morning.

Wong Moon, 28, living at 31 Graham-street, first floor, pleaded guilty.

Hearing date

The date for the hearing of a case against a 34-year-old American, Lawrence Paul Rutchin, accused of attempting to mislead a police officer by giving false information was fixed for April 14.

She's happy our prices are not cheap

Mrs. Kathleen Du Toit, an adult education tutor of the University of Otago, New Zealand, said today that she was happy prices of commodities in Hongkong "are not fantastically cheap."

"Otherwise," Mrs. Du Toit said, "Hongkong would be known as a place of exploitation and shamefully cheap labour."

Mrs. Du Toit left by Air-India for a one-year study course in the United Kingdom.

An expert on crafts, embroidery and the history of embroidery, Mrs. Du Toit settled down in New Zealand 13 years ago.

She said, "I planned to stay in New Zealand one year but it turned out to be 13 years."

Bank governor arrives

Mr. H. V. R. Jengar, Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, arrived from Tokyo by Air-India this morning for a two-day visit prior to his return to Bombay.

Mr. Jengar was in Tokyo attending a Southeast Asia, New Zealand and Australia banking conference held in the Japanese capital recently.

Mr. F. M. de Mello Kamath, Indian Commissioner, was at Kai Tak Airport to meet him.

COLOURING COMPETITION

The Parke Davy International Corporation is sponsoring a picture colouring competition for children with a first prize of \$400 in school tuition fees.

At all chemists shops throughout the Colony entry forms are available containing two pictures, one for the 6-8 age group and the other for the 8-12 group.

Children under 10 have to colour their pictures in crayon and those over 10, in water colour.

Rehearsal

The second rehearsal of the combined services parade and march-past for the Queen's Birthday was held in Kowloon this morning. A full rehearsal will be held on April 19.

AMERICAN ENTERTAINERS LEAVE

Hongkong is "a difficult place" for people in the show business. However, what Hongkong has to offer as a tourist attraction makes up for the difficulties.

This was the impression of the Colony, two American nightclub entertainers, expressed when they left for Bangkok by Air-India this morning after a six-week engagement in local nightclubs.

The Kobelt Sisters, Karla and Klaudia, of Berkeley, California, said that they had found working as entertainers in Hongkong difficult because "we had to rush to three different nightclubs between 10.30 pm and 1.30 am each night."

The Kobelt Sisters are acrobatic dancers. They began dancing professionally four years ago. This is their first tour of the Far East.

Smallpox

The Port Health Authorities announced today that quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrivals from Rangoon on account of smallpox.

PLAN FOR NEW KING'S THEATRE GOES TO GOVT

Plans for erecting a 20-storey building with arcades accessible from Queen's-road Central, d'Aguilar-street and Wyndham-street, and containing a modern theatre, have been submitted to Government.

Sir Tsun-nin Chau told shareholders this at the annual meeting of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Co. Ltd. this morning.

Net profit for the year ended December 31, 1960, was \$491,833 and a dividend of 50 cents a share and bonus of 70 cents a share was approved.

The report and accounts for the year were adopted.

Mr. Tso Tsun On and Mr. Chang Kwai On were re-elected directors.

Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co. were reappointed auditors.

BOY, 15, ASSAULTS FATHER, MOTHER

A 15-year-old student appeared before Mr. D. Benson at Causeway Bay Court this morning on two charges of assault occasioning actual bodily harm.

The charges alleged that on April 9 the boy assaulted his father and, on April 10, assaulted his mother.

The boy pleaded guilty to both charges and was remanded for seven days for a probation officer's report.

Struck on head with a teapot

A quarrel over a wedding gift ended in court today when a man charged with striking his sister's fiancée with a teapot was fined \$75.

The fine was imposed by Mr. T. C. Chan in North Kowloon Court this morning.

So Kwok-kwong of 13C Castle Peak-road, ground floor, Tsan Wan, pleaded guilty.

It is alleged that So struck Ip Hoi-chuen when Ip said he could not afford to give the bride's family as big a gift as he had promised because of financial difficulties.

COOKBOY FORGED, CASHED CHEQUES

A 30-year-old cookboy and driver, Fung Lit, was jailed for one year by Mr. Derek Coss at Central Court this morning for stealing 12 cheques, and forgery.

Fung committed the offences between February and March this year and the total money involved amounted to \$3,440.

Eighteen charges of forgery of cheques and obtaining money on forged documents were taken into consideration.

LAST YEAR

Detective R. B. Bayless told the Court that Fung had been employed by Mrs. B. J. Godfrey since last year. Mrs. Godfrey usually kept her cheque book in an unlocked drawer in her bedroom.

Upon checking the cheque book last Friday, Mrs. Godfrey found 12 cheques missing and, as a result of a telephone conversation with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, she went to the Bank.

Mrs. Godfrey was informed that 10 cheques had been cashed and the police were then notified.

Enquiries revealed that Fung obtained some money by giving several cheques to a man, a school feld who knew Fung very well.

Citizen forces chief due

Mr. J. Bishop, assistant General Manager of the Sydney department store, Anthony Horderns, and the Officer Commanding the Australian Citizen Forces, will arrive from Sydney by Qantas for a short visit. He will stay in the Colony for a few days before proceeding to Tokyo.

From the Files 25 years AGO

April 1936

THE death occurred suddenly at his residence at Castle Peak yesterday of Mr. Edward Mow Fung aged 62. A member of an Australian Chinese family whose name has long been associated with the Colony's life. Ned was a public spirited man of keen intelligence, taking great interest in local problems.

Among his other activities he some years ago entered the timber industry, having the contract from Government to clear part of the Aberdeen hillsides.

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Toni Wai-pui's sustained brilliance proved too much for H.D. Runjahn when these two met in the final of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony on the Hongkong C.C. stand-court yesterday afternoon. As in the semi-final when he defeated S.A. Runjahn, the holder of the title, Toni's all-round steadiness gave him an overwhelming advantage. This is his second championship, his first success being in 1934.

The Chinese player won in straight sets in a match which was productive of some fine strokes on the part of both players.

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WHEN the Dollar Liner President Hoover sailed on Saturday afternoon for America she carried almost a full complement of passengers. So full was the ship that when it became necessary for the passengers to go to hotels while the President Hoover went into dock for two days for scraping and painting, considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining accommodation.

Many of the passengers went to the Peninsula Hotel, but others went to the Kowloon Hotel since the Hongkong Hotel and the Gloucester Hotel were fully booked.

ABSTRACT ART ADVICE

Mrs. Wendy Mack, daughter of Dr. K. C. Yeo and Mrs. Yeo and granddaughter of the late Sir Robert Ho-Tung, urged people to try to appreciate colour and composition of abstract art, not just look at a painting and say "what is it?"

She was giving an address on art with descriptive illustrations at the YWCA yesterday.

Mrs. Mack was formerly a member of the Hongkong Art Club and graduate of the Slade School of Fine Art in London.

She spoke of two forms of abstract art, the non-figurative and the figurative. In the non-figurative abstract forms unconcerned with imitation of nature would be depicted. The artist would be thinking of some emotion or poetic feeling and striving to portray this through colour and shape, as would a potter or musician.

She said that painting today is not a sudden change but a gradual reaction and movement. Because of world-wide communications and the interchange possible through artists of many nations, the pace seems faster.

"Please try to understand the modern art, and see as much of it as you can. I hope that art will never become static," she concluded.

Dr. Yeo was formerly Director of Medical and Health Services in the colony.



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